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STATISTICAL ROUNDUP

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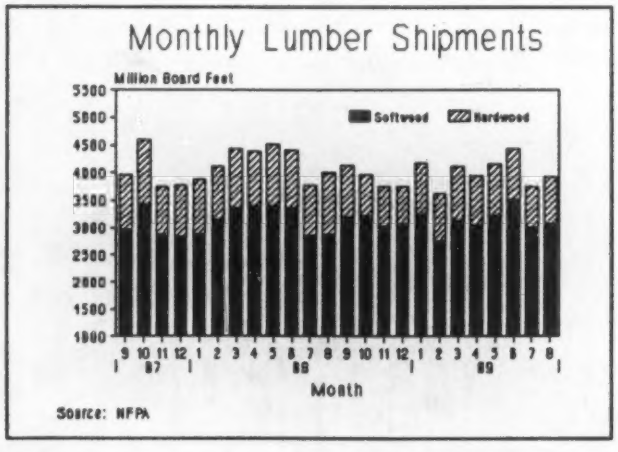
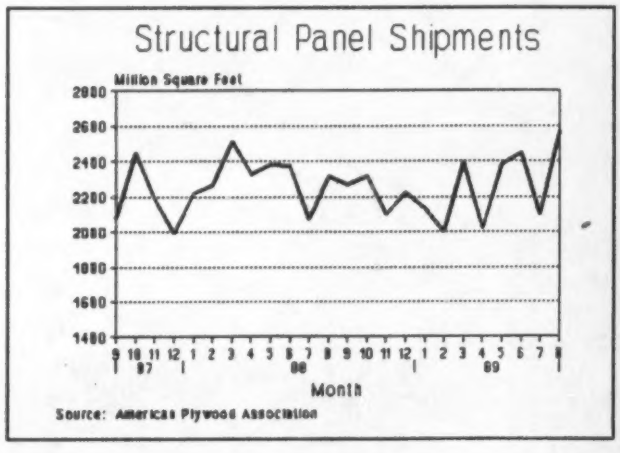
ESTIMATED INDUSTRY TOTALS BY PRODUCING REGION

	AUGUST, 1989			AUGUST 31, 1989		JULY REVISIONS		
	Production	Shipments	Orders Received	Unfilled Orders	Gross Stocks	Production	Shipments	Orders Received
	(Million Board Feet)					(Million Board Feet)		
SOFTWOOD LUMBER								
Southern Pine Region	991	932	873	716	2,021	988	1,008	1,008
West Coast Region	806	825	800	540	735	778	780	762
Inland Region	1,017	1,001	984	541	1,361	934	911	888
California Redwood Region	167	179	147	103	379	169	166	165
Other Softwoods	149	147	140	253	301	143	143	141
TOTAL SOFTWOODS	3,130	3,084	2,944	2,153	4,797	3,012	3,008	2,964
% Change - July 1989	3.9%	2.5%	-0.7%	-6.1%	1.0%			
% Change - Aug. 1988	4.8%	6.5%	0.1%	3.3%	0.2%			
TOTAL HARDWOODS	832	836	765	NA	NA	671	752	777
% Change - July 1989	23.8%	11.3%	-1.6%	NA	NA			
% Change - Aug. 1988	-28.2%	-25.1%	-25.7%	NA	NA			
TOTAL LUMBER	3,962	3,920	3,709	NA	NA	3,683	3,760	3,741
% Change - July 1989	7.5%	4.3%	-0.9%	NA	NA			
% Change - Aug. 1988	-4.5%	-2.3%	-6.6%	NA	NA			
FLOORING		(Thousand Feet)					(Thousand Feet)	
Oak Flooring (Bd. Ft.)	NA	19,122	NA	11,922	9,805		14,618	
Maple Flooring (Sq. Ft.)	1,681	1,697	1,465	5,469	2,323	1,460	1,711	1,490
STRUCTURAL PANELS (Sq. Ft.)	2,481,763	2,565,997	2,563,385	1,353,251	392,000	2,093,668	2,099,516	1,842,174
% Change - July 1989	18.5%	22.2%	39.1%	33.6%	-6.7%			
% Change - Aug. 1988	6.0%	10.7%	9.0%	53.8%	-8.7%			





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YEAR-TO-DATE INDICATORS

	PRODUCTION		SHIPMENTS		ORDERS RECEIVED	
	Latest Period Available	% Change	Latest Period Available	% Change	Latest Period Available	% Change
	8 mo.'89	8 mo.'88	8 mo.'89	8 mo.'88	8 mo.'89	8 mo.'88
			(Million Board Feet)			
TOTAL LUMBER	31,396	-6.5%	32,107	-4.3%	31,890	-3.2%
TOTAL SOFTWOOD	24,886	-1.9%	25,088	-1.3%	24,810	-1.6%
TOTAL HARDWOOD	6,510	-20.9%	7,019	-13.6%	7,080	-8.7%
			(Million Square Feet)			
STRUCTURAL PANELS	17,860	-4.1%	18,043	-2.3%	17,827	1.2%

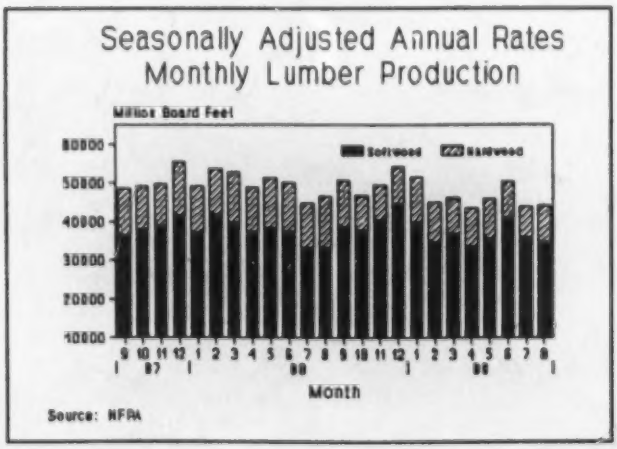
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED ANNUAL RATES

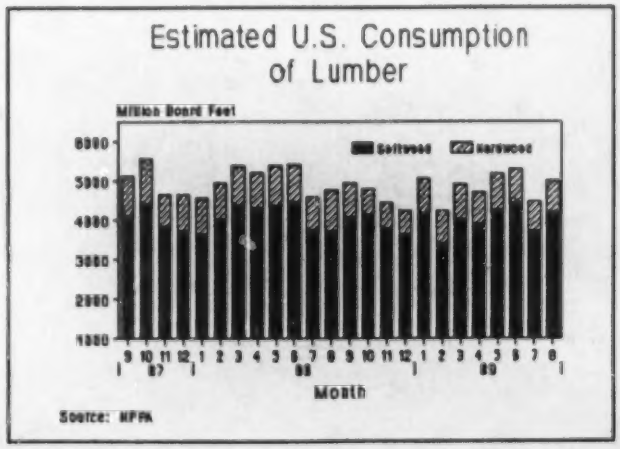
	PRODUCTION			SHIPMENTS		
		---% Change From--			---% Change From--	
LUMBER REGION	Aug. '89	July '89	Aug. '88	Aug. '89	July '89	Aug. '88
	(Million Board Feet)			(Million Board Feet)		
Southern Pine	11,272	-0.9%	-4.9%	10,986	-4.9%	-6.7%
West Coast	9,278	-4.9%	0.4%	9,298	-6.0%	9.1%
Inland	10,672	-3.9%	23.6%	10,668	-1.3%	22.4%
Calif. Redwood	1,833	-11.9%	-6.2%	2,027	9.7%	-2.7%
Other Softwoods	1,632	-3.9%	4.9%	1,630	-4.3%	6.5%
TOTAL SOFTWOODS	34,688	-3.7%	4.4%	34,608	-3.3%	6.1%
TOTAL HARDWOODS	9,380	18.7%	-28.2%	9,576	2.0%	-25.1%
TOTAL LUMBER	44,068	0.3%	-4.8%	44,184	-2.2%	-2.7%

DOMESTIC LUMBER CONSUMPTION

	CURRENT			YEAR-TO-DATE	
	Latest Month Available	----% Change From----		Latest Period Available	% Change From
	Aug. '89	July '89	Aug. '88	8 mo.'89	8 mo.'88
		(Million Board Feet)			
Total Consumption	5,012	12.0%	4.9%	38,934	-3.5%
Softwood Consumption	4,219	12.6%	12.6%	32,272	-1.5%
Hardwood Consumption	794	8.9%	-25.4%	6,662	-12.1%

Note: U.S. consumption for the first quarter of 1989 is calculated based upon Canadian data on exports to the U.S. (source: Statistics Canada, COFI)





INTERNATIONAL TRADE STATISTICS

		VOLUME				VALUE (F.A.S. Thousands of Dollars)			
		Aug. '89	8 mo. 1989	% Change From July '89	% Change From 8 mo. 1988	Aug. '89	8 mo. 1989	% Change From July '89	% Change From 8 mo. 1988
EXPORTS									
SOFTWOOD LUMBER	MMBF	314.6	2,201.7	37.5%	5.8%	147,939	907,931	41.6%	25.8%
To Canada	MMBF	36.9	331.4	-8.4%	-7.1%	14,502	114,075	-10.0%	9.1%
SOFTWOOD LOGS	MMBF	347.1	3,155.6	-18.2%	-1.1%	177,440	1,467,565	-11.5%	0.4%
SOFTWOOD PLYWOOD	MMSF 3/8"	121.0	833.0	NA	NA	22,642	144,507	33.9%	NA
HARDWOOD LUMBER	MMBF	66.2	608.4	17.7%	NA	58,934	430,752	16.4%	-1.3%
HARDWOOD LOGS	MMBF	8.4	168.2	-6.8%	23.6%	10,814	170,128	-5.6%	56.1%
HARDWOOD VENEER	MMSFsurf	NA	NA	NA	NA	10,855	101,278	6.6%	4.0%
HARDBOARD	MMSF 1/8"	46.5	321.3	21.5%	NA	4,288	29,385	29.9%	NA
PARTICLEBOARD	MMSF 3/4"	16.2	107.2	15.0%	NA	6,073	41,080	5.4%	NA
MDF	MMSF 3/4"	8.1	121.8	6.0%	NA	2,857	24,356	-6.1%	NA
ALL OTHER						84,926	632,683	0.1%	NA
TOTAL U.S. EXPORTS						531,078	3,984,221	6.5%	11.9%
IMPORTS									
SOFTWOOD LUMBER	MMBF	1,449.3	9,385.3	50.0%	-0.6%	308,633	2,082,506	40.2%	2.4%
From Canada	MMBF	1,388.1	9,263.3	44.6%	-1.0%	306,388	2,058,905	40.6%	2.9%
SOFTWOOD LOGS	MMBF	0.8	16.6	1.4%	-54.2%	388	7,575	-7.0%	-17.1%
SOFTWOOD PLYWOOD	MMSF 3/8"	8.1	32.9	NA	NA	2,670	11,425	91.8%	-57.9%
HARDWOOD LUMBER	MMBF	23.4	251.6	-29.1%	-5.0%	11,308	105,506	-18.7%	-18.3%
HARDWOOD LOGS	MMBF	1.6	13.2	-1.2%	78.8%	1,704	12,526	-3.6%	488.1%
HARDWOOD VENEER	MMSFsurf	NA	NA	NA	NA	10,381	110,444	-22.7%	-0.1%
HARDWOOD PLYWOOD	MMSFsurf	263.4	1,993.3	2.4%	-5.6%	52,651	340,748	10.0%	-2.3%
HARDBOARD	MMSF 1/8"	56.7	511.0	-17.6%	12.7%	3,909	32,641	-6.3%	-4.4%
PARTICLEBOARD	MMSF 3/4"	24.4	257.5	4.7%	-36.1%	7,896	66,182	51.0%	NA
MDF	MMSF 3/4"	5.1	31.0	94.3%	NA	989	8,912	-27.5%	NA
ALL OTHER						160,700	901,220	26.7%	NA
TOTAL U.S. IMPORTS						563,443	3,709,325	28.3%	-3.0%

Notes: (1) Volume data may contain errors because of transition to the HS system of tariff classification. Commerce data reported in metric units under the HS are converted to U.S. standard units of measure for this table.
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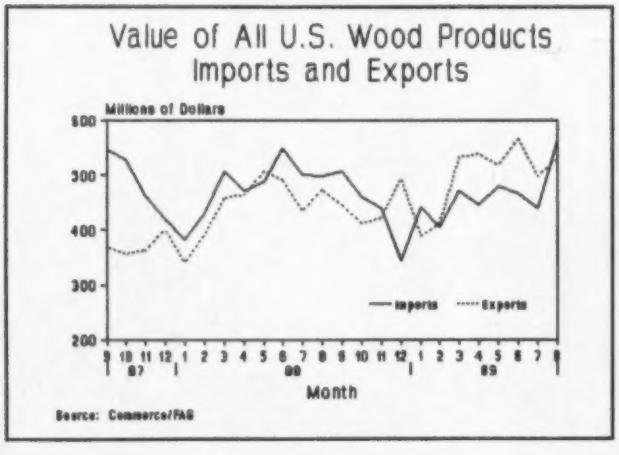
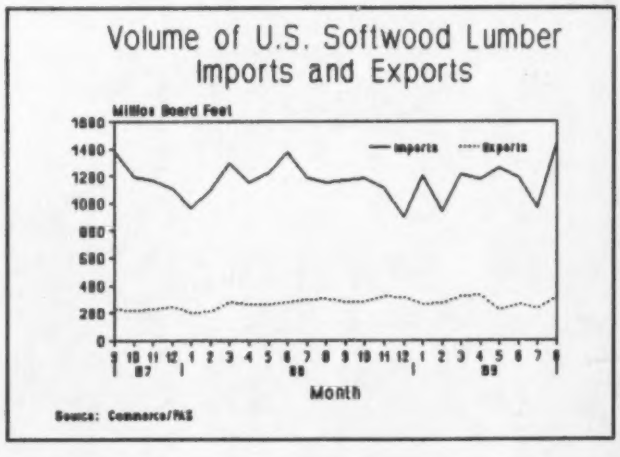
(3) Because of revisions made to data on hardwood lumber exports, year-to-year changes are not meaningful.
(4) Because of suspected reporting errors, first quarter U.S. imports of softwood lumber are based on Canadian export statistics (source: Statistics Canada & COFI).

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, FAS.





U.S. EXPORTS TO MAJOR MARKETS

		VOLUME				VALUE (F.A.S. Thousands of Dollars)			
		Aug. '89	% Change From July '89	YTD '89	% Change From YTD '88	Aug. '89	% Change From July '89	YTD '89	% Change From YTD '88
EUROPEAN ECONOMIC COMMUNITY									
Softwood Lumber	MBF	35,430	68.6%	277,026	-12.9%	25,148	50.7%	160,399	5.2%
Softwood Logs	MBF	377	-7.1%	9,184	-5.0%	187	-9.7%	4,254	44.0%
Softwood Plywood	MSF 3/8"	80,750	11.4%	641,778	38.9%	14,302	17.2%	106,294	2.7%
Hardwood Lumber	MBF	19,915	42.5%	193,249	NA	21,854	36.2%	163,360	-3.7%
Hardwood Logs	MBF	8,543	419.4%	72,364	65.0%	2,794	28.2%	66,510	42.9%
Hardwood Veneer	MSFsurf	NA	NA	NA	NA	5,890	13.7%	56,980	-0.5%
Particleboard	MSF 3/4"	662	-31.7%	3,382	NA	248	-27.7%	1,343	NA
MDF	MSF 3/4"	110	NA	4,314	NA	61	79.4%	1,800	NA
Hardboard	MSF 1/8"	9,701	104.7%	51,089	55.8%	710	126.1%	4,098	-21.1%
Other		NA	NA	NA	NA	8,618	8.7%	66,838	NA
Subtotal						79,041	30.1%	629,682	5.9%
PACIFIC RIM									
Softwood Lumber	MBF	160,261	58.9%	1,093,658	9.6%	76,593	60.9%	447,867	25.7%
Softwood Logs	MBF	318,914	-21.7%	2,974,450	2.2%	169,877	-12.8%	1,405,574	0.2%
Softwood Plywood	MSF 3/8"	NA	NA	NA	NA	264	-43.3%	2,633	-31.2%
Hardwood Lumber	MBF	21,702	-4.7%	198,950	NA	20,552	0.1%	143,280	8.1%
Hardwood Logs	MBF	4,262	-27.8%	74,016	13.1%	5,832	-22.3%	76,778	62.2%
Hardwood Veneer	MSFsurf	NA	NA	NA	NA	2,716	-11.8%	25,120	30.4%
Particleboard	MSF 3/4"	8,017	32.1%	53,109	NA	2,001	23.1%	13,532	NA
MDF	MSF 3/4"	6,864	3.9%	109,688	NA	2281	-10.5%	19,087	NA
Hardboard	MSF 1/8"	13,219	18.8%	103,928	55.4%	1056	52.4%	7,980	-35.9%
Other		NA	NA	NA	NA	47,418	-9.8%	350,271	NA
Subtotal						328,590	-0.8%	2,492,119	11.3%

Notes: (1) EEC countries include: Belgium & Luxembourg, Denmark, France, West Germany, Greece, Ireland, Italy, Netherlands, Portugal, Spain, United Kingdom. PACIFIC RIM countries include: Australia, China, Japan, South Korea, Taiwan, Singapore and Hong Kong.
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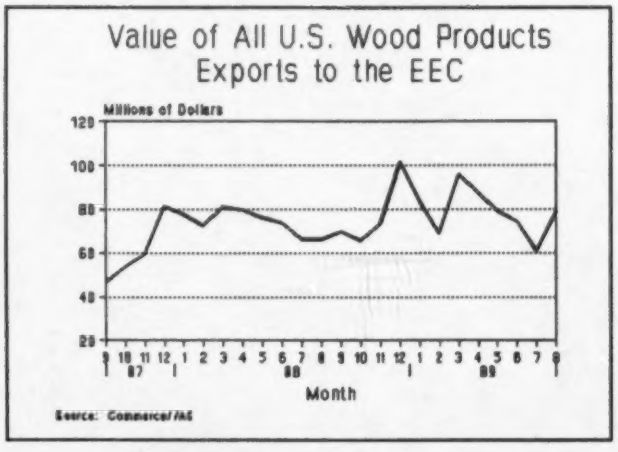

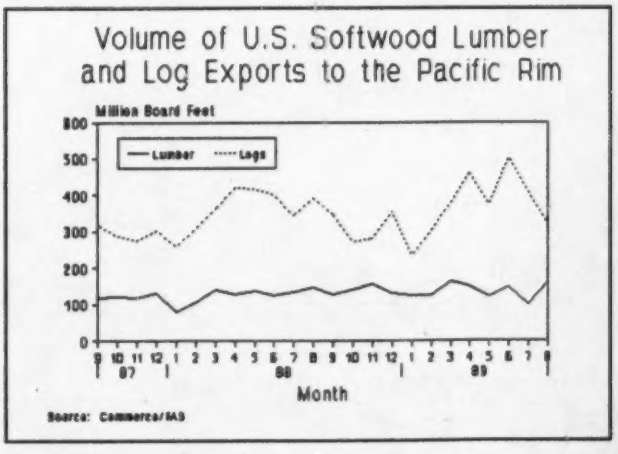

HOUSING STARTS

	Sept. '89	Aug. '89	Sept. '88	9 mo. '89	9 mo. '88
		(Thousands of Units)			
NEW HOUSING UNITS STARTED					
Total Private	109.5	122.9	131.1	1,075.1	-6.2%
New Private Starts:					
Seas. Adj. Annual Rate	1,263	1,332	1,463	NA	NA
Northeast	170	145	206	NA	NA
Midwest	243	145	258	NA	NA
South	477	565	576	NA	NA
West	373	386	423	NA	NA
Single-Family					
Proportion of Total	75.8%			73.2%	
	Aug. '89	July '89	Aug. '88	8 mo. '89	7 mo. '88
Shipment of Mobile Homes	NA	14,400	21,900	NA	NA

INDUSTRY EMPLOYMENT

	Aug. '89	----% Change From--- July '89	Aug. '88
	(Thousands of Employees)		
TOTAL EMPLOYMENT (Seasonally Adj.)			
All Industries	108,855	0.1%	2.7%
All Manufacturing Industries	19,650	0.0%	1.2%
Lumber and Wood Products	764	-0.4%	0.4%